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Hikurangi Friendship House Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs 9.30 am to 12 noon, Fri 9.00 am to 2.30 pm, Closed Wednesdays.

BULLETIN DEADLINE February 10th 2023



Linda Vanstone, Irene Frost & Ani Hemara are interested in starting up a Craft Day in Hikurangi.

We have decided to hold this on every 2nd Monday morning between 9.30am to 12noon. We will have morning tea and allsorts of crafts etc that you might be interested in learning. The first one will start on Monday January 23rd.

We have decided to call ourselves:

THE HIKURANGI SENIOR'S CRAFT CLUB

But Please Note!!! this is open to anyone who wants to come and join us, you don't have to be a senior to come along.

If you are interested please just pop in on the 23rd or contact Linda on 4338062 or 021 142 3679. The venue we are going to use is the Hikurangi Christian Fellowship Hall (next to the Vulcanater Garage).

Hikurangi Historical Museum Christmas Raffle Results 1st Prize Red A 67 Jennifer Hemara 2nd Prize Red A 23 Logan Hazel 3rd Prize Red A 81 Al Hughes Congratulations to you all.



We are run by 15 Trustees and we meet once a month to discuss what is happening around the town etc. We are located in the front of the Hikurangi War Memorial Hall on King St Hikurangi. We administer the hall for the Whangarei District Council, do photocopying, computer work, a general information centre, if we can help we will. Also we are involved with the Hikurangi Community Library. So call into Friendship House and have a chat even if we are busy we have always got time to chat and help if we can.

A BIG THANK YOU

I would like to give thanks to all the advertisers who advertise in the Hikurangi Bulletin because without you we would not function. Also to those who support us with your yearly \$10 donations and postage. I would like to also thank our Rural Delivery Posties for supporting us too. So thanks very much your support is very very much appreciated

From the Editor Linda Vanstone

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RAINFALL DECEMBER 2022

HUKERENUI	113 mm
HIKURANGI	137 mm
MARUA	192 mm

We would like thank the following people who give us these Rain Results each month.

Hukerenui: Lillian Reid, Hikurangi Linda Vanstone and Marua Rob Roest

These rain measurements are taken from their rain gauges in their local back yards.

Church Services In Hikurangi

Hikurangi Village Church: Meet Sundays at 10am, in the Hikurangi War Memorial hall. Last Sun of month is a Shared Lunch. Phone/Text Stuart on 0274 575247.

Hikurangi Catholic Church: Valley Rd

Sundays 8 am Mass 1st Sun & Liturgy 2nd, 3rd & 4th 10 am.

Hikurangi Christian Fellowship: Sundays 10am or contact 4338654 and please leave a message.

Hikurangi Mountain Lions News

Welcome to 2023 everyone! Hoping that you have all managed to have a bit of a break and had a great

Christmas (we'll not mention the weather!!) Just a reminder that we have our annual Golf Tournament on Saturday 28th January. This time we are raising funds for "Kind Hands" an amazing local charity that provides incredible support for children, and their families, who are dealing with the many challenges they face through illness or disability.

We would love you to help us with this, why not get a group of friends, whanau or work colleagues together (a great team building opportunity) and have a fun day out! There will be delicious food and of course drinks available, raffles and an auction! And we have of course organised stunning weather for the day!

If you are not able to come on the day, you can still help! Why not donate a raffle or auction prize? Or be a sponsor— any help, large or small, would be very much appreciated.

If you can help or would like to join us for the day, we would love to hear from you, or if you have any questions, please contact Marc on 027 322 6128 or marc@wscas.co.nz

Please remember we are always here to help where we can, so get in touch if you need us The Hikurangi Mountain Lions

Hikurangi Volunteer Fire Brigade

Happy New Year Hikurangi Hopefully the Xmas and New Years was good for all, for those of you who are yet to have a holiday hopefully you get a break soon, take care on the roads with the current weather, drive to the conditions. With this bad weather there is a risk of trees and slips over roads. We have had a break from training and we will be back in a weeks' time.

It was good to see so many people come out for the Lolly Run. Big thanks to Rouse Motorcycles for Santa's Sleigh

2022 was our busiest year for us with 200 calls, 14 more than our previous busiest year

With a range of calls. 14 Vehicle Fires, 20 Fire Alarm Sounding, 16 Medical calls, 21 Structure Fires, 45 Motor Vehicle Accidents, 30 Scrub Fires and a range of other Miscellaneous calls

Our trucks were kept busy, 641 (Pump) 145 Calls, 6411 (Tanker) 78 Calls, 6429 (Van) 37 Calls

Big thanks to our team & their families for giving up there time every time the siren went, also to those employers who allow our members to run out of work

Since the last bulletin we have had 22 calls

06/12/22 Hika 641 Whangarei 127 Medical Hikurangi

- 06/12/22 Hika 641, 6411 Kamo 191, Towai 8771 Alarm Activation Hukerenui
- 07/12/22 Hika 641 Whangarei 121 Fuel Spill Kauri
- 08/12/22 Hika 641 Car Fire Hikurangi
- 09/12/22 Hika 641 Medical Hikurangi
- 11/12/22 Hika 641 Kamo 191 Whangarei 124
- Alarm Activation Kauri
- 17/12/22 Hika 641, 6429 MVA Hikurangi
- 17/12/22 Hika 641, 6429 Ruakaka 177 MVA Whakapara 19/12/22 Hika 641 Kawakawa 747 Towai 8771 MVA
- Towai
- 22/12/22 Hika 641 Rubbish Fire Hikurangi
- 27/12/22 Hika 641 Whangarei 127 Landing Zone Required Oakura
- 27/12/22Hika 641, 642 MVA Whakapara 6429 Whangarei 127, 9919
- 28/12/22 Hika 6411 Whangarei 121, 127 Shed Fire Kokopu
- 31/12/22 Hika 641, 6429 Whangarei 127, 9919 MVA Whakapara
- 02/01/23 Hika 641, 6429 Whangarei 121, 127 MVA Kauri
- 02/01/23 Hika 641 Whangarei 121 Alarm Activation Whakapara
- 03/01/23 Hika 641, 6411 Kamo 191 Bush Fire Hikurangi
- 05/01/23 Hika 6411 Whangarei 121 Ngunguru 791 House Fire Tutukaka
- 06/01/23 Hika 6411 Whangarei 121 Ngunguru 791 House Fire Reignited Tutukaka
- 07/01/23 Hika 6411 Whangarei 121, 127 Alarm Activation Whareora
- 07/01/23 Hika 641, 6411 Kamo 191 Tractor Fire Whakapara
- 08/01/23 Hika 641, 6429 Whangarei 127, Towai 8771 MVA Hukerenui

Until Next Month OS Bain



Please see page 6 for the passing of Snow Buckton's wife Cath.



Bulletin Board

Hikurangi Village Church

Transport: The Village Church runs a van for the week of pension payments, to Whangarei for shopping. It leaves Hikurangi at 10am on a Thursday.

Please either Phone or text Theresa to book a place on 021 **243 6889**. Also someone is available to take locals to appointments etc in Whangarei when necessary. Phone or text **Stuart on 027 457 5247.**

Children's Lighthouse & Playgroup 20 George Street Hikurangi

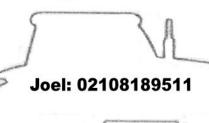
Public Session Open Hours

Fridays only Nov 1st 2022 to Feb 2023

Email: playgroup@hikurangi.co.nz

Contact Sharlene on 021 616 755

Brown Agriculture Contracting



Gps liquid Fertiliser spraying - Like seaweed, Urea gib mix save 50% in nitrogen can add Weed sprays for thistles, carrot weed butter cup Etc. Spray outs, insecticide from \$25ha

Lime & Fertiliser spreading - from \$17 per ton Gun spraying - All weeds/grasses from \$80hr Other rural services available Free no obligation quotes

If anyone has any stories they would like to see in the bulletin please either drop them into Friendship House or email them to friendship@hikurangi.co.nz

Justice of the Peace: Shayn Rouse Phone 433 8471

Hikurangi School Returns on Thursday February 2nd 2023.

SERVICES AVAILABLE AT HIKURANGI FRIENDSHIP HOUSE

LAMINATING: per sheet A5 @ \$2.50 A4 @ \$3.50

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EMAILS: Standard fee to send and receive \$2.50 Attachments @ 20c per page

SCANNING available too TYPING SERVICES: Ask us about our rates.

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Hukerenui Playcentre

Our centre is located at 9 Crows Nest Road. Contact us about coming to us in 2022 Email: hukerenui@playcentre.org.nz Session Times: Monday to Friday 8.45am to 12.45pm. For more info please call in and talk to us @ the above address. Monday to Friday



Tai-<u>Chi: Please Note starts on Feb 1st</u> Every Wed at 1.30pm Hik Mem Hall. Cost \$4 per session. Ph Linda on 4338062 or 021 142 3679 (Not in School Holidays)

JP and Marriage Celebrant: Paul O'Dea 0275348374



Thanks for supporting our Hikurangi Bulletin.

2023 Donations are now due.

Your **\$10.00** annual Bulletin **Donation** would be very much appreciated, this helps to keep this community publication operating. Unfortunately due to postage going up each year we have to raise our postage, so if you would still like it posted to your address, then please add \$17.00 for postage. Please note!!! If you still require the Bulletin to be posted to you please let me know that you wish to continue. Thanks Linda.

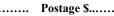
Suggested ways to pay:-

Call into Friendship House Office. Drop off at the Hikurangi Library (addressed to the Hikurangi Bulletin). Please name. Can be posted to 10a King St Hikurangi, Or direct to our bank account number:

ANZ 06 0996 0093533 02 (ref. your name please).

Name.....Address.....

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<u>Hikurangi Community Notices.</u>

Badminton (Social): Wed 9 - 12noon @ Hiki Memorial hall \$3 per session. Rackets available. Contact Robyn 433 8718. Children's Lighthouse Playgroup: George St. Tues & Thurs 9.30 am - 12.30pm. Contact Sharlene 021 283 7944 Fire Brigade: Training Monday Nights at 6.30pm in the Fire Station. More Volunteers needed. Friendship House Trust: meets every 4th Tues of the month at 5.30pm held in the Hikurangi Hall. All welcome. Phone 433 8452 for more information. Hikurangi Business Association: Meet 2nd Wed of each month, 7.00pm Hikurangi Bowling Club. All Welcome. Hikurangi Freemasons Lodge No 140: Contact Ivan Berryman 4335847 or Steve 435 5601. Hikurangi Transfer Station Please Note Winter Hours Open Hours: Monday to Sunday 8am-1pm. Hikurangi Golf Club: Phone Blue on 4337453 Hikurangi Hall: For Hire. Phone 433 8452 Jack Morgan Museum, Hukerenui: Open 10am-4pm daily. Justice of the Peace: Shayn Rouse Phone 433 8471 JP and Marriage Celebrant: Paul O'Dea 0275348374 Kindergarten: 5 Park St, Phone 433 8535 Library Hours: Mon, Wed, Fri 10 am - 2pm Tues & Thurs 10am - 6pm Sat & Sun closed. Ph 433 8773. Hikurangi Lions: Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month. Phone either Cyndy Verryt on 946008 or 021544531 or Carol Head on 0273661029. Hikurangi Plunket: Whanau Anhna Plunket Holly 027 203 2863, Mon & Thurs Home & Clinic visits. Drop-in Clinic at 33 King Street Kensington, 9am to 1pm Wednesday & Friday. No appointment necessary. Hukerenui Playcentre:Email Hukereui@playcentre.org.nz Marriage Celebrant: Jeanette Logie Contact 0210359313 Museum: Hours are: Tues, Thurs, Sat 10am-11.30 am, or by appointment. Contact number 433 8062 Museum Committee: Meet in the Museum every 3rd Sat of the month at 9.30 am. Phone Linda 433 8062 or please Email: hikurangi.museum@gmail.com. **Opuawhanga Com Hall:** For Hire Ph Joan Dempster on 0211614872 Eureka Taekwondo: Self Defence for all age groups. Hik Sch Hall, Tues & Thurs 6pm -7pm. Please just turn up on those nights for more information. Thanks. Tai Chi: Held in the Hikurangi Hall @ 1.30pm every Wednesday (except school holidays). Please Phone Linda on 4338062 for more info. Whakapara Pony Club: Steve Martin Whakapara Women's Institute: Contact Marie 433 9900. Whangarei District Council: Phone 430 4200. Yoga: Marua Hall. Thursday 6pm \$8. Allison 09 434 4330 If there any changes needed to these notices please let us know before our deadline which is on the front page. We are not responsible for information that is wrong if people do not let us know of any changes. HIKURANGI TAKEAWAYS 59 King St **PHONE 4338 448**



OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK

Hikurangi Police

Policeman Rado (Greg)

Tenā koutou katoa, Happy New Year to all. I hope everyone enjoyed a break, is coping and staying dry over this very wet busy period.

This is my first attempt at writing an article for the Hikurangi Bulletin and with this I am more than aware of the boots I must try and fill - those of the former Senior Constables that have gone before me working in this community.

Those are of course (during my time) Senior Constables Gavin Benny, Russell Rawiri, Lisa Magnusson and last but not least old mate Policeman Pete (whose heading I have continued). Policeman Pete recently retired after 20 years of service on the 'Thin Blue Line'.

I know Pete had a vast knowledge of the goings on in and around Hikurangi and of course this would not happen without the information the community provides. I intend to keep in contact with Pete to pick his brains on certain things that may arise. It is sad to see Pete go but greener pastures are ahead of him now. I should introduce myself for those that I haven't met. I am Northland born but raised and schooled around the motu/Island. My father, Wayne, son of Frank and Audrey, grew up in Hikurangi, 20 odd years. (The old homestead, from what I've been told is now the museum?). Feel free to correct me if I've been informed wrong.

I myself am a father (x4), a grandfather (poppa x3), a husband and a brother (x4).

I have been in the job for 12 years predominantly serving on the frontline. My first 6 years were in Whangarei before my family, and I relocated to Ōtepoti/ Dunedin (to support my wife in her studies for her new career). I worked in small communities over our 5 years in the Otepoti/Dunedin area, working out of Balclutha and Mosgiel. I have a sporting background where I played a number of years for the great 'HH' Hora Hora Rugby Club. I continue to put on the boots but now only for Police games, which come about once or twice a year. I enjoy fishing (recently purchased a viking kayak complete with a fish finder which I'm yet to put to good use), and occasionally surf. I am very open minded in my Policing style and use my

I am very open minded in my Policing style and use my discretion on certain things, but idiotic behaviour won't be tolerated. Safety is forefront for me.

Although I have only been working here for 8 weeks (as part of a 4-month secondment, ending March 2023) I have thoroughly enjoyed my short time here. There are 2 jobs (2 year contracts) advertised within the Police for Hikurangi Station and I have applied for one of those positions. We should be made aware of the successful applicants very shortly so this may well be my first and last Bulletin Article!

Whoever gets these appointments will serve Hikurangi well I believe.

Just a reminder we have 2 numbers to call for different levels of priority.

111 if your call is of high priority and is deemed an emergency. Something that is happening now.

105 if you are reporting an incident of low priority or something that has already happened.

Finally, if you see me out and about driving the Holden Captiva or at the station - feel free to flag me down or come in and have a korero. I enjoy coffee and a cake/ biscuit or two. I am a good listener and will help in any way I can.

Take care everyone, be safe out there and drive to these conditions, let's make it home.

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Pick Up's from Hikurangi School, Hikurangi Kindergarten Hikurangi Educare & Kauri School.

If you would like to advertise in our Hikurangi Bulletin please contact us on 4338452 or email us at friendship@hikurangi.co.nz.

We would like to see more Hikurangi Businesses advertise in our Monthly magazine. So either call us or email us. Your call would be very much appreciated. Thanks Linda.

Condolences

Hikurangi Friendship House would like to pass on our deepest sympathies to Snow Buckton and family for the passing of Cath, a loving Wife, Mother & Grandmother. She will be sadly missed by you all.



Open Mon-Sat 7am-8pm Sunday 7:30am - 8pm 29 King Street, Hikurangi, 0114 Whangarei, Northland Ph: 09 4338818





Condolences to the Family

of Snow Buckton It is with great sadness that we the Hikurangi Fire Brigade are writing this to our comunity to advise you all the passing of Cath Buckton. Cath passed away on Sunday the 8^{th of} January with her family around her.

Cath was the wife of our ex Chief Fire Officer Snow Buckton and like all fire families she lived the life of a Fire fighters Partner.

For nearly 39 years Cath would look after the family business during the day when Snow was at a callout or heading into town to sort another fire service problem out, locking up their business and heading home by herself often as she supported the fire service in her way

Cath brought up Mark and John who both carried on the family tradition of joining the fire service.

She was surrounded by Fire Fighters. Cath supported her husband and boys through nearly 60 years of combined service from her family to our community.

At all brigade events Cath would be the first to put her hand up to help organise things that happen in the background not wanting to take the limelight or the thanks for a job well done. Running it all with precision from years of honing this skill on so many fire events. Cath would take the partners of new firefighters under her wing to show them how it all worked and what was expected of them.

This often gave them the reassurance that they could do what was needed to support our fire fighters as they

supported our community. Every year rain or shine as we came to Christmas eve and our lolly run we would always see Cath somewhere on our travels to drop off the lollies to the kids, she would be out watching to make sure it went as planned.

Cath will be sadly missed by us all here at the Hikurangi Fire Station and Cath is a huge loss to our community. From all of us at the Hikurangi Fire Brigade.

Rest easy Cath as you look down on us all from above our love and thoughts are with you always.

Whangarei & Dargaville

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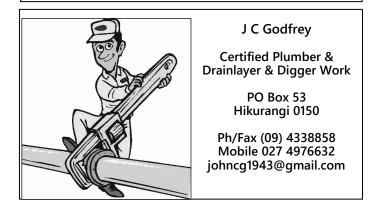
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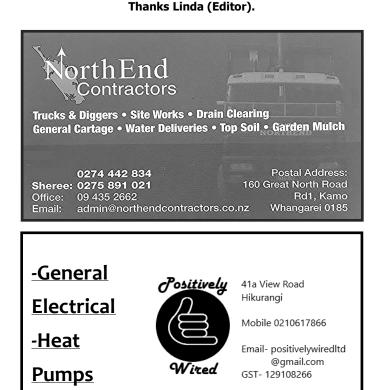


HONOURING LIVES

Whangarei Mobile Library Bus This arrives outside the Hikurangi Community Library at 1.15pm every 4th Thursday of the month. Please call into the library for the next date of arrival. Please contact the library on 4338773 Thanks.



Funny Stories: If anyone has any of these that would be suitable for the Hikurangi Bulletin please call into Friendship House with them or email us at friendship@hikurangi.co.nz. They would be very much appreciated.





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HIKURANGI HISTORICAL MUSEUM



We hope you had an enjoyable holiday break – despite the rain! 2023 is here and we start this year thinking about our upcoming restoration project at the Hikurangi Museum. The historic Hikurangi Courthouse and Jail buildings will be a part of this restoration project. Originally, the Hikurangi Courthouse was located at 26 George St, adjacent to the Police Station – where this was also initially located (opposite the Hikurangi Vets, on the corner of Park St). The Courthouse was built in 1880, with its first 'sitting' in 1897. It was not long until the building was deemed to be too small and therefore, 'painfully inadequate'. It was extended in 1915. In 1930 the courthouse ceased operation and the building was given to the Police. By 1939 it was no longer in use and so a local fitness club negotiated to use the building for fitness classes! The building then became an antique store between 1976 and 1979, after which it was used as an extension of Council chambers. In the 1990's the Courthouse building and Jail House were moved to their current site, at 1 Alfred St - where they now form a central part of the Hikurangi Museum. The Hikurangi Museum's Restoration Project will

mostly be paint prep and repainting of these historic buildings. It begins once the scaffolding is set up on Monday the 13th of February. The scaffolding will only be up for 6 weeks and we hope to have most work done by the end of this period (finishing 25th March). We received funding for paint and scaffolding but will be reliant on volunteers to help us do the actual work. We will have working bees between 9am and 4pm each Saturday during this period. We know people have busy lives, so please come along and help for as long as you are able. It all adds up. We may also do additional week nights depending on availability. If you are able to help in any way (including cooking and serving kai to feed hungry volunteers), please get in touch. Letting us know in advance would be helpful so we can plan. A working bee roster can be viewed on the online calendar Trello. We will update this with volunteers' names as we are contacted. You can also log in and add your name yourself:

https://trello.com/b/BRBQdm6S/hikurangi-

museum-working-bee-roster-2023. If you feel like dropping by for an impromptu contribution on the day, then you are also most welcome to do so. Most of our volunteers are elderly so ANY and ALL help to support our restoration project will be much appreciated. See our Facebook page for regular updates. Ngā mihi nui from the Hikurangi Museum team. E-mail: hikurangi.museum@gmail.com; Facebook: 'Hikurangi Historical Museum'

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